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LONDON--THE TIMES OF LONDON SAID TODAY PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S FAILURE TO CONTROL THE POLITICAL ACTIVITIES OF THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (C.I.A.) WAS "DISAPPOINTING AND MYSTERIOUS."

"IT IS TO BE HOPED THAT HIS BELATED RECALL OF MR. (JOHN) RICHARDSON, THE HEAD OF THE C.I.A. MISSION IN SOUTH VIETNAM, IS A SIGN OF NEW DETERMINATION TO EXERT THE FULL POLITICAL CONTROL WHICH THE AGENCY SO BADLY NEEDS," THE INDEPENDENT, INFLUENTIAL TIMES ADDED.

THE PAPER SAID IN AN EDITORIAL IT WAS IMPORTANT THAT THE CIA SHOULD NOT BECOME A SCAPEGOAT FOR WHAT OFTEN WERE THE SINS OF THE GOVERNMENT.

C.I.A. "INVOLVEMENT WITH NGO DINH DIEM'S FAMILY IN VIETNAM WAS ENCOURAGED BY THE ABSENCE OF CLEAR DIRECTION FROM WASHINGTON," THE PAPER SAID.

THE LIBERAL GUARDIAN OF MANCHESTER DECLARED: "IF THERE WERE TO BE A MODIFICATION IN UNITED STATES POLICY IN VIETNAM, IT WOULD HAVE TO START WITH AN EFFORT TO BRING THE C.I.A. TO HEEL; FAILURE TO ACHIEVE THIS IN LAOS LED TO WEEKS OF HUMILIATING DELAY.

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"WE SHALL BE ABLE TO DEDUCE MORE OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S INTENTIONS ACCORDING TO WHETHER MR. RICHARDSON RETURNS TO HIS POST.

"MEANWHILE, REPORTS OF A SUSPENSION OF UNITED STATES AID ARE ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE OF A COMING CHANGE, WHATEVER STATEMENTS MAY ISSUE FROM THE WHITE HOUSE TO KEEP SENATORS AND OTHERS HAPPY," THE GUARDIAN ADDED.

THE TIMES EDITORIAL SAID IT WAS WELL KNOWN THAT MANY MEMBERS OF C.I.A. "ARE NOT HAVING SYMPATHY WITH THE BASIC ASSUMPTIONS OF THE ADMINISTRATION'S POLICIES, AS THEY WERE NOT, ON THE WHOLE, IN THE SAYS OF "THE LATE JOHN FOSTER DULLES, SECRETARY OF STATE IN THE EISENHOWER ADMINISTRATION.

"THE DIFFICULTY THAT HAS ALWAYS DOGGED THE CIA," THE TIMES DECLARED, "IS THAT IT IS BASICALLY INIMCAL TO AMERICAN TRADITIONS, AND THE COUNTRY HAS BEEN UNABLE TO ASSIMILATE IT."

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